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WYOMING CROP ACREAGE DECREASES IN 2011

Results of the annual June acreage survey indicate that **Wyoming** producers have 1,491,000 acres in crop production in 2011, according to Heather DePra with the Wyoming Field Office of USDA NASS. This acreage, which includes acres planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for alfalfa and other hay, is 9 percent smaller than in 2010. Acreage planted to grain and row crops totaled 420,500 acres, down 5 percent from that of 2010.

Wyoming producers planted 140,000 acres of **winter wheat** last fall, 25,000 down from the previous year; 125,000 acres are expected to be harvested for grain, 20,000 acres down from last year. Acreage planted to **oats** was unchanged acres from last year at 34,000 acres; 9,000 acres are expected for grain, also unchanged from last year. **Barley** area planted, at 80,000 acres, is up 5,000 acres from 2010. A total of 68,000 acres of barley are expected to be harvested for grain, up 6,000 acres from 2010.

A total of 100,000 acres of **corn** were planted statewide, up 10,000 acres from 2010; 65,000 acres are expected to be harvested for grain, up 15,000 acres from 2010. **Dry bean** planted acreage, at 35,000 acres, is down 14,000 acres from 2010; 33,000 acres of dry beans are expected to be harvested, also down 14,000 acres from last year. **Sugarbeet** acreage is up from last year at 31,500 acres planted; 31,000 acres are expected to be harvested for sugar which is up 600 acres from 2010.

Producers expect to harvest 1.07 million acres of **all hay** in 2011, which would be down 120,000 acres from last year. The acreage is comprised of 570,000 acres of **alfalfa**, down 50,000 acres from 2010, and 500,000 acres of **other hay**, down 70,000 acres from last year.

UNITED STATES: The 2011 **winter wheat** planted area is estimated at 41.1 million acres, up 10 percent from 2010 but down slightly from the previous estimate in March. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 32.3 million acres, up 2 percent from last year.

Area planted to **spring wheat other than durum** for 2011 is estimated at 13.6 million acres, down 1 percent from 2010. Area harvested for grain is expected to total 13.2 million acres, down slightly from 2010.

Producers seeded 2.82 million acres of **barley** for 2011, down 2 percent from a year ago, and the lowest seeded acreage on record. Harvested area, forecasted at 2.48 million acres, is up fractionally from the 2.47 harvested acres in 2010, but if realized will be the second lowest since 1883.

Area planted to **sugarbeets** for the 2011 crop year is expected to total 1.24 million acres, up 6 percent from the 1.17 million acres the previous year. Harvested area is forecast at 1.20 million acres, up 4 percent from 2010.

The 2011 **corn** planted area for all purposes is estimated at 92.3 million acres, up 5 percent from last year. This is the second largest acreage since 1944, behind only the 93.5 million acres planted in 2007. Growers expect to harvest 84.9 million acres for grain, up 4 percent from last year.

U.S. **dry bean** growers intend to plant 1.26 million acres in 2011, down 34 percent from 2010. Harvest area is forecast at 1.21 million acres, 34 percent below the previous year.

Producers expect to harvest 57.6 million acres of **all hay** in 2011, down 4 percent from 2010. Expected harvested area of **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures**, at 19.3 million acres, is 627,000 acres less than in 2010. Expected area for harvest of all **other types of hay** totals 38.3 million acres down 4 percent from 2010.